Docket No.: 0649-0903P

Confirmation No.: 6670

Examiner: Mark R. Milia

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Shunichiro NONAKA

Application No.: 10/624,525

Filed: July 23, 2003 Art Unit: 2625

For: IMAGE-ATTACHED MAIL TRANSITING

APPARATUS, IMAGE-ATTACHED MAIL TRANSITING METHOD, AND IMAGE-

ATTACHED MAIL TRANSITING PROGRAM

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1-9, 12, 15, and 18, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.